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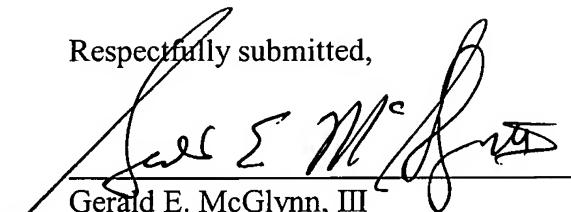
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ADJUSTABLE DRIVE PLATE )  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowance dated June 22, 2005 in connection with the above-captioned patent application. Enclosed please find a "Declaration for Patent Application" that has recently been executed by the inventors in connection with this matter.

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